

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

MONDAY ,THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF MARCH

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE MAHESWARA RAO KUNCHEAM

WRIT PETITION NO: 2197 OF 2026

Between:

1. Killada Tata Abbai, S/o Narasamma, Aged about 55 years, Sarpanch, Venkatapuram Gram Panchayat, Rambilli Mandal, Anakapalli District, Andhra Pradesh. -531061
2. Sarepalli Paidiraju, S/o Saripalli Apparao, Aged about 45 years R/o H.no. 1-167/A, Venkatapuram, Rambilli Mandal, VTC - Haripuram, Visakhapatnam District - 531061
3. Kiladi Chiranjeevi, S/o Chinnodu, Aged about 47 years R/o H.no. 1-249, Venkatapuram, Rambilli Mandal, VTC - Haripuram, Visakhapatnam District - 531061

Petitioner/s

AND

1. The State Of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Mines and Geology Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati.-522203
2. The Director of Mines and Geology, Ibrahimpatnam, Andhra Pradesh. - 521456
3. The District Collector, Anakapalli District, Anakapalli. - 531001

4. The District Mines and Geology Officer, Anakapalli District. - 531001
5. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada. - 521225
6. M/s. Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Minerals, Prop. Sri Y. Srinivas, D.No. H-84, Near Vellanki Foods, Madhura Nagar, Hyderabad - 500038.
7. Sri Sri Sri Uma Mahedarama Lingeswara Swamy Temple, Pangiri Ekasila parvatam Venkatapuram Village Revenue, Anakapalli- 523247

Respondent/s

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to Issue a Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ, Order, or Direction, declaring the action of the 4th Respondent in issuing Proceedings No. 2801/AB/2023 dated 18-07-2025 granting a quarry lease for Building Stone and Gravel in Sy. No. 156/P of Rambilli Mandal to the 6th Respondent as illegal, arbitrary, violative of Articles 21 and 25 of the Constitution of India, and contrary to the AP Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 Consequently, direct the Respondents consider Representation date 30-12-2025, 15-12-2025 withdraw the said lease and to refrain from granting any mining/quarrying permission on the sacred Phanigiri Ekashila Hill / Phanigiri Pradakshina Hill and its surrounding area

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to Granting an interim order staying all further quarrying/mining operations pursuant to the impugned proceedings pending disposal of the above writ petition

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of S LAKSHMI PRAMEELA Advocate for the Petitioner(s), GP FOR MINES AND GEOLOGY for the Respondent Nos. 1 to 4, GP for Endowments Department for respondent No.5 and the Court made the following.

ORDER

No representation for the petitioner.

Conversely, learned counsels for the respondents sought further time.

Admittedly, on 02.03.2026, this Court passed the following order:

"Learned Assistant Government Pleader for Mines and Geology, takes notices and undertakes to file comprehensive counter for Respondents 1, 2 and 4.

G.P. for Revenue appearing for respondent No.3.

G.P. for Endowments appearing for respondent No.5.

Learned counsel Ms.G.N.Umarani, appearing for respondent No. 6.

Sri Chinthapalli Srinivas, learned counsel intends to file vakalat and counter for respondent No.7.

At the request made by learned counsels appearing for the respondents, post after two weeks. All the respondents are hereby directed to file their respective counters addressing the core issues raised by the petitioner with all relevant documents. Registry is directed to print the name of Sri Chinthapalli Srinivas, for R7."

In view of the above, this Court is reiterating the above orders and hereby directed the respondents to comply the same. Failing which, the 5th respondent shall be present before this Court on 01.04.2026 at 10.30 a.m.

The learned GP for Endowments is hereby directed to communicate this order to the respondents including the 5th respondent.

SD/-Sk.MOHD RAFI

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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For ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

To,

1. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada. –
521225(Speed Post to appear before the Court on 01.04.2026 at 10.30 a.m)
2. The Principal Secretary, Mines and Geology Department, State of A.P, Secretariat,
Velagapudi, Amaravati.-522203
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8. One CC to SRI. S LAKSHMI PRAMEELA Advocate [OPUC]
9. Two CCs to GP FOR MINES AND GEOLOGY ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh.
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HIGH COURT

MRK, J

DATED:16/03/2026

ORDER

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APPEARANCE

